

Saint Cletus Parish Canticle

If I have all faith so as to move mountains,
but do not have love, I am nothing.
- 1 Corinthians 13:2

A close-up photograph of two hands, one larger and one smaller, gently cupping a bright red, glossy heart. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light color.

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**FOURTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
FEBRUARY 3, 2019

**FAITH, HOPE, LOVE REMAIN, THESE THREE;
BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE**
is love.
I CORINTHIANS 13:13

WELCOME

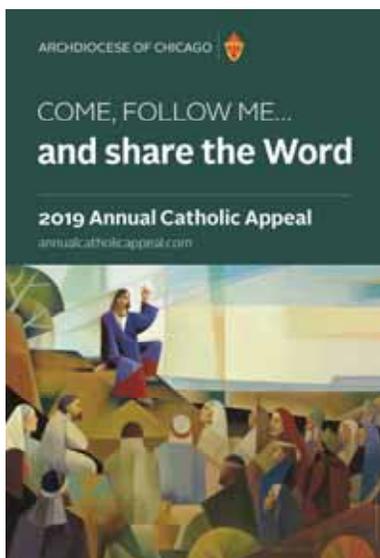
So glad you could join us!

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Mass Intentions for the Week of February 4 - 10, 2019

Day	Presider (subject to change)	Time	Intentions
Monday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	John E. Cooper
Tuesday	Fr. Baker	9:00 a.m.	John E. Cooper, Louis Vieceli, Joseph F. Smith
Wednesday	Fr. Clark	8:00 a.m.	Virginia Rachford, John E. Cooper
Thursday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Vieceli
Friday	Fr. Fisher	8:00 a.m.	Frank Wojcik, Giovanni Vieceli, Amparo Silva
Saturday	Fr. Fisher Fr. Gamboa	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Frank Wojcik, Joseph & Kay Klemak Elizabeth Stange, Ken Kakareka
Sunday	Fr. Gamboa Fr. Baker Fr. Baker Fr. Baker Fr. Gamboa	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	Marco & Emilia Rattin, Bill DePasquale Stacy Baker Richard Walsh, Patrick O'Connell, Dan Rahilly St. Cletus Parishioners Armando Yopez

2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



“Come, Follow Me... and share the Word”

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal request mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes, and schools who receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible.

The Annual Catholic Appeal offers a wonderful opportunity to answer Jesus' call to “Come, Follow Me...and share the Word.”

In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the Archdiocese, the Appeal also funds services that are of great help here in our Parish.

As we contemplate God's many gifts to us, we should also reflect on our gratitude. Your financial support for the work of our Parish, our Archdiocese, and the Church throughout the world is one way to express this gratitude. Please give generously to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND THEIR FAMILIES...

Cal Stemler

May he rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

We always welcome names for the sick. Please note that requests must only be made by the individual or an immediate family member. Names will remain in this prayer list for 3 months.

January - Frank Colonna, Ronald Kruczek, Daniella DeRivera, Gloria Rivera

December - Eleanor Artemenko, Gerda E. Dorso, Cherie Franzen, Gene Gajos, Jim McLamore, Patricia Rodey, Ron Ramsey, Anne Scheer, Rachael Schopp, Dr. James Schuler, Dr. Max Scheyerer, John Sheil, Dave Sipek, Michael Stoinski

November - Charles Fiipek, Virginia Gebka, Yesenia Guzman, Sharon Smilanich, Jean Weekley, Kimberly & Tony Fox, Susan Grace, John Duda, Laura Biesadecki, Lee Ascencio, Mary Benka, Paul DeRivera, Nikki Howell, Ada Medina, Leo Rivera, Bill Tortorello, Joan Clark, Rosario Martinez, Frank Niwa, Laura Terrazino, Nicole Will Montemagni, Bonnie Boerste, Helen Brennan, Dr. Larry Bernstein

Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

Notes from Fr. Bob...

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When Jesus spoke to his fellow Nazarenes in the synagogue, they were initially impressed with his words. That is because he began by offering them what they already knew – he began by pointing out the beauty they were already familiar with. He quoted the prophet Isaiah – recalling God’s promise of setting free the captive and oppressed, of giving new sight to the blind, and bringing good news to the poor. They approved of his words, because they knew they were addressed to them. They were God’s chosen people, the people of His promise. They regarded themselves as the poor in need of hearing good news; they saw themselves as the captives and the downtrodden, who needed to be freed from the oppression of Roman rule. They approved when Jesus spoke to them of God’s promise to set them free.

But then Jesus introduced a new element, and the import of what he was saying began to sink in to them. Jesus challenged them to see that this wasn’t just a promise for the future, but that it was being fulfilled today – through him. Jesus was identifying himself as the one anointed by God’s spirit to set his people free. And they didn’t like this new thing he spoke. “Who does he think he is? We know him – he’s just the carpenter’s son.” Familiarity breeds contempt.

And Jesus stretched them further by introducing another new element – the thought that God’s love might not be exclusively for them. He offered the vision of God seeking to set free all people – Jew and Gentile alike. He proclaimed a year of favor which extended to all nations – perhaps even to the hated Romans – just as in ancient times God had shown his mercy to Naaman and the foreign widow. Jesus asked them to look again at God’s promises and see them afresh, that they were directed to all who are poor and need good news, to all who are blind, oppressed and in need of liberation. And in so doing, he asked them to see these outsiders, these foreign nations, no longer as enemies, as pagans, idolaters, inferior, but as beloved by God, just as they were themselves.

They resisted the picture Jesus painted for them, they rejected his vision of reality, and they were so threatened by his message that they sought to kill him. Eventually, of course, they would.

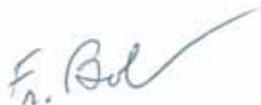
Like the Nazarenes, we can refuse to believe that “this text is being fulfilled TODAY.” We can live our lives looking always to the future for God to fulfill his promises, perhaps after death, but not today, not now.



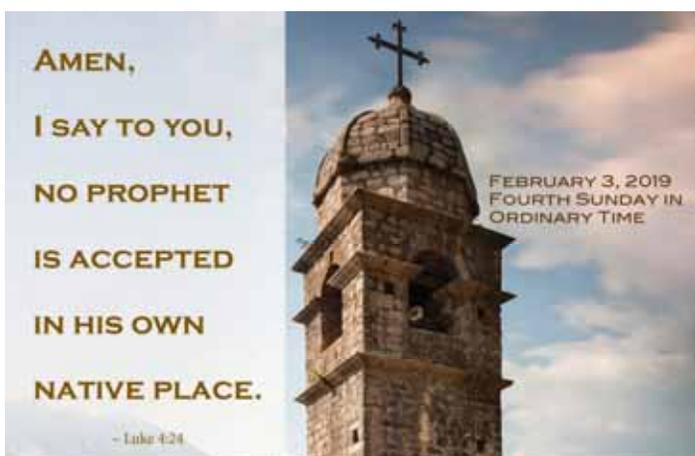
Jesus is quite insistent: these things can happen TODAY, if we allow God to work in us. Jesus challenges us to look again at our own lives, our relationships, our work, our daily struggles and joys, and to see in them the presence and beauty of God.

And part of the new vision of reality which Jesus invites us to see is that we are all brothers and sisters of each other, loved by God who is the Father of us all. We have no reason for excluding others, the foreigner, the migrant, the person of a different faith, race, color or class. It is so easy for us to restrict our love to our own, and to imagine that God does the same. The new vision Jesus offers is of the human race liberated by the Father’s love, graced, united, set free. May God give us the new sight to be able to believe that God can do these things – TODAY – and that he wishes to do them for all humanity.

Fulfillment found in Christ,



Fr. Bob Clark
Pastor



Parish School



ST. CLETUS SCHOOL DATES TO NOTE

February 4 Queen of Hearts Drawing
 February 23 Confirmation
 March 30 Spring Auction

FOR INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

Tom Chinske, Principal **Christy Schaefer, Asst. Principal**
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ST. CLETUS
Queen of Hearts
RAFFLE

**BUY TICKETS DAILY AT
 KENNY'S IRISH PUB.**

**DRAWINGS MONDAYS AT
 7PM AT KENNY'S.**

THE ST. CLETUS QUEEN OF HEARTS 50/50 RAFFLE RETURNS...

Visit Kenny's Irish Pub and buy your tickets today for the next drawing at 7pm on Monday, February 4.

Raffle Details: In cooperation with Kenny's Irish Pub, St. Cletus is running a 50/50 raffle to benefit St. Cletus School. Tickets can be purchased at Kenny's Irish Pub on 55th Street in Countryside for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The raffle draw will take place every Monday night at Kenny's until the Queen of Hearts is found. The tickets do not roll over week to week, but the Pot DOES! Get your tickets at Kenny's today! (Winner need not be present to win).

FIRST GRADE SCIENCE LAB

The moon is not made out of cheese, it's made out of delicious cream filling. Our 1st graders used this fun approach using Oreos to learn the moon phases' names and appearances.



CELEBRATING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

The halls of St. Cletus School looked a little different on Monday as students showed off their personalities for Pajama Day. This was the first of the themed days for Catholic Schools Week. The themes are dreamed up by our Catholic Schools Week Committee and end with the annual Red vs White volleyball game on Friday.



GREAT OPEN HOUSE

A big thank you to all the students, teachers, and volunteers that helped make our 2019 Catholic Schools Week Open house a huge success! If you missed the Open House and would still like to see why St. Cletus is such a great place for your family please call the school office and schedule a tour.

Religious Education

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION?

Last weekend many of our Religious Education families braved the cold to come to our family event, Building Faith Filled Families! We had a terrific time together, as families played games, make crafts and participated in service experiences. We look forward to seeing their selfies of their families and Flat Fr. Bob the Builder at their service projects around the community in future Canticles!

Upcoming Dates:

Feb. 10 & 11 Religious Education classes are in session for ECRE, Grades 1-8. Fourth Grade students bring in a guest to celebrate Love Day during class.

Feb. 17 & 18 No Classes due to President's Day

Feb. 21 Mandatory Confirmation Practice for Students and Sponsors in Church from 6:30-8 p.m.

Feb. 23 Confirmation Celebration at 1 p.m.

Feb. 24-25 Religious Education classes are in session for ECRE, Special Needs, Grades 1-7. 8th Grade does not meet for class.



For more information please contact Barb Campbell, Director of Religious Education
bcampbell@stcletusparish.com | 708.352.2383

Social Concerns Ministry



ST. CLETUS FOOD PANTRY

Most needed at this time:

- Baby wipes
- Canned tuna and fish
- Powdered milk
- Personal care products: deodorant, razors, etc.

Donations can be dropped off before or after Masses or anytime daily between 7:45am-4pm in Food Pantry bins in the Narthex (at the back of church).

If you have questions or would like to volunteer with the Social Concerns Ministry contact Kendall Grant (708)215-5418 kgrant@stcletusparish.com

FOOD PANTRY THANKS

Thank you to St. John of the Cross for sharing their Souper Bowl collection with our food pantry! We're grateful for your attention to detail, checking in on our most needed items, organization, generosity and heavy lifting!

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OUTREACH

Domestic violence is the leading cause of injury and death for women of all socioeconomic, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds, and affects up to 1 in 10 men and 1 in 3 teens. We invite you to join us to raise awareness and stand in solidarity with all those affected by violence.

Note that these are intended for adult readers. All names have been changed for protection.

VANESSA'S STORY

The abuse

At first my boyfriend was so considerate, and overly friendly. Once we started dating he started to accuse me of cheating on him and would call me names. He would repeatedly call to "check-up" on me. One night, he held me down and wouldn't let me leave his house.

The worst part was that I went along with everything. He would break up with me, and then I would take him back. He blamed me for his behavior, saying that if I was trustable, he wouldn't have to check on me. He would ask my friends if I was trustworthy and would check to see if my car was at work.

Many women believe that they would recognize abuse, I believed that. I am an educated woman, from a good family, with a job, and a secure future. I never thought I would end up in an abusive relationship. It was so subtle – he stole my self-worth.

How I coped

After we broke up, he started to stalk me. I made two police reports against him and took him to court for a restraining order. I didn't get it. He followed me everywhere I went, sent lewd messages, threatened me. Six months later, he damaged my car. It has been a year since we broke up, my friends have been a good support and a local abuse support service has helped, too.

How the situation changed

I avoid places I know he goes. Every couple of months he sends a lewd message. However, I have been able to return to a normal life. I am careful about going places by myself. I have finally realized that I am not all the things he called me, and that I am lovable. I am in a healthy relationship now that is full of respect.

What helped me

He had convinced me that I was crazy and unlovable. I started going to the support service and became educated on the cycle of abuse. I saw so clearly that it wasn't my fault. A support group has shown me that I am not alone. Friends have stuck by me—they were there—they saw what happened.

What I would say to others

It is so easy to deny. I did not want to admit that I could be in an abusive relationship – I wanted to believe that he loved me. If friends and family tell you that there is something wrong with your relationship – really look at what they are saying. Don't

give up your freedom or your self-worth. You deserve to be happy and to feel good about yourself. It may be hard to leave – but it will always be worth. Don't be afraid to seek legal help or counseling. You are worth it!

General Contact Information

In an emergency, dial 911, call the National Domestic Violence 24-Hour Hotline at 800-799-7233 or the local hotline for Pillars, found in the purple box below.

You are not alone.



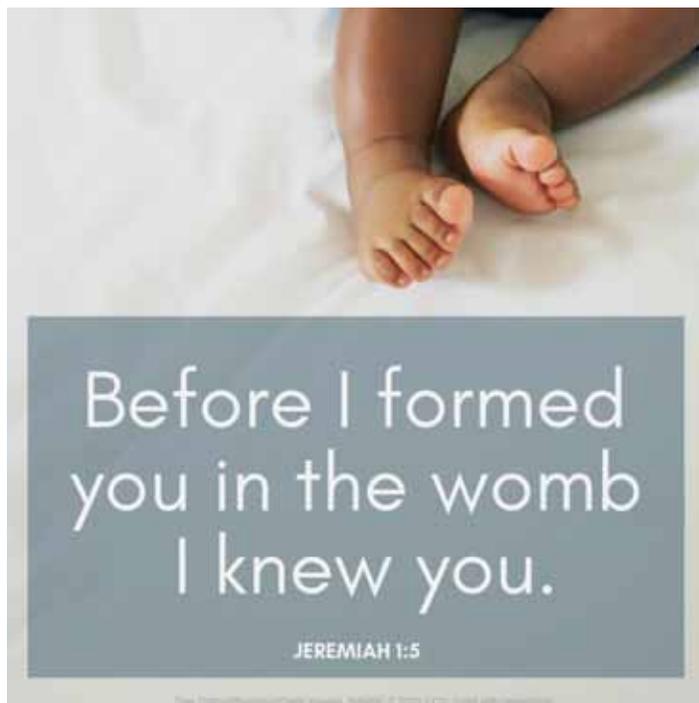
PEACE IN PALESTINE COMMITTEE OF LA GRANGE

Palestinian Film Screening and Discussion on Thursday, February 7 10am and 7 pm at Grace Lutheran Church, 200 N. Catherine, La Grange.

“IMPRISONING A GENERATION” - This 50-minute film follows four young Palestinians who have been detained and imprisoned by the Israeli military. Their stories offer a personal look into the structures of oppression that extend well beyond the prison walls. Facilitated small group discussion will take place immediately following the screening.

Please RSVP with total number attending to b.sloss@gracelg.org. Walk-ins are always welcome.

WORD OF LIFE



INTERFAITH CAREER NETWORK

Quarterly Resume Review

Join us on Saturday, February 9 from 9:30-11:30 am for a helpful one-on-one conversation with a HR, or other search related professional for some ideas and suggestions that may enhance or refresh your resume. Looking for some helpful job search strategies? Need some coaching with your elevator speech? This is a great opportunity for you or someone you know in a job search. There is no charge for this service. Please join us at the St. Cletus Parish Center, 700 W. 55th Street in La Grange.

Everyone is welcome to ICN meetings/workshops and there is no charge to attend. For further info, please visit our website: www.interfaithcareernetwork.org.

5th Annual Fall Fest - St. Cletus Parish Preferred Providers



Thank you to all of our 2018 Fall Fest Sponsors!

Sponsors at the \$2,500 level and above will be featured in the St. Cletus Canticle as Preferred Providers.

Other Ministry Notes

REGISTRATION FOR KAIROS 32 IS OPEN!



March 14 – 17, 2019

Registration is ONLINE ONLY, and can be found on the St. Cletus Parish Website, under Youth Ministry.

Kairos is a retreat offered to high school juniors and seniors through the combined efforts of St. Cletus, St. Francis Xavier, and St. John of the Cross parishes. The retreat is offered three times each calendar year. Kairos is a 4-day retreat that allows you to build new friendships as well as to deepen current relationships, and to learn more about yourself and your connection with God, while having an unforgettable experience.

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE UPCOMING YOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES:

- 2019 Girls Church League Basketball - Registration opens in February
- Fannie May Candy Fundraiser – proceeds go to St. Cletus Youth Ministry Scholarships for retreats and mission trips!
- St. Cletus Youth Ministry WEEK OF SERVICE July 15th – 20th

MaryClaire Zurowski, Youth Ministry Coordinator
 mzurowski@stcletusparish.com | 708.352.5419
 Instagram @stcletus.youthministry

ST. CLETUS PARISH FALL FEST



Save the date for our annual Fall Fest September 5-8, 2019. The headliners on the 2019 St. Cletus Fall Fest stage will be ARRA, Mike and Joe, and Maggie Speaks!

MASS AT THE LA GRANGE HOSPITAL



Come and join us for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist and to pray for the sick every Wednesday at 11:30am in the Chapel of La Grange Memorial Hospital.

Thanks and Blessings, Fr. Lorenzo

CARDINAL COLLEGE

Monday February 4th at 7:15PM in the Parish Center

Are you frustrated with parenting? Having issues getting through to your child? Interested in learning new techniques in parenting?

The St. Cletus Cardinal College presents Zen Parent Radio hosts Cathy and Todd Adams. Monday, Feb. 4 at 7:15PM in the Parish Center.

The title of their presentation is "Why Self awareness and compassion make parenting easier".

Zen Parenting Radio, Cathy and Todd Adams are the husband and wife team behind a weekly podcast that focuses on parenting. Cathy and Todd bring practical advice and humor to entertain and inspire audiences. More information regarding Cathy and Todd can be found at website www.zenparentingradio.com.

Donations are welcome at the door to help defray the costs.

Please RSVP to cschaefer@stcletusparish.com.

BOOK DISCUSSION



The next book discussion will be at 7 P.M. on February 12th in the Father Gallagher Room in the Parish Center.

The book that will be discussed is

Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman. All are welcome.

Questions – call Denise at 708.712.8294

SUPPORT ST. CLETUS WITH AMAZON SMILE



Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite

charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization.

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We hope you will choose St. Cletus Church. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.

AREA-WIDE ADULT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION



St. Francis Xavier Church
124 N. Spring Avenue
La Grange
(Just west of La Grange Rd & Ogden Ave)

Monday nights, for 7 sessions between Feb. 25 and May 9, 2019

Contact Kate DeVries, Pastoral Associate, 708-352-0168 or kdevries@sfxlg.org

St. Francis Xavier Church in La Grange will be hosting an area-wide Confirmation program for any Adult Catholics who have received Holy Communion, but for whatever reason, did not receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. All Adults (18 and older) are most welcome.

Sessions will be held on Monday nights, Feb. 25, March 4, March 18, March 25, April 1, & April 8, in Unity Hall (signs will be posted). Sessions will go from 7:00 – 8:30 pm, with the exception of April 8, when we will gather at 6:45 pm, to attend the Parish Reconciliation Service. The celebration of Confirmation will take place at St. Francis Xavier Church within their Teen celebration, on Thursday, May 9 at 7 pm.

Registration is necessary. Details and the registration form can be found on the parish website: www.sfxlg.org (and click Parish, then Sacramental Preparation, then Confirmation), or contact Kate DeVries at kdevries@sfxlg.org or 708-352-0168.

SIGN ME UP! STAY CONNECTED WITH OUR PARISH E-NEWS

Get all the latest updates! Sign up to receive emails from St. Cletus Parish using the quick form on the bottom of the home page of our website, www.stcletusparish.com or email addme@stcletusparish.com. You can also turn in your name and email to the parish office during regular business hours (Mon-Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 8am-12:30pm.)

ENROLL IN ELECTRONIC GIVING



Do you want to transition away from writing checks and contribute electronically? It is SO EASY!

Visit the St. Cletus Parish website at www.stcletusparish.com and click the “DONATE” button. Click Sunday donations. We accept checks (ACH), debit and credit cards. If you have questions call Mary Zwolinski 708.352.6209.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Are you ready to roar?

Head out on an African adventure and create a stampede of fun at this year’s vacation bible school (VBS). Experience jaw-dropping discoveries and run wild with high energy activities.

VBS runs June 17-21. Sign up today on our website, <https://stcletusparish.com/vbs>

JOIN US FOR THE SPRING AUCTION



2019 ST. CLETUS SPRING AUCTION

Saturday, March 30, 2019 at Capri Banquets, 6240 Joliet Road, Countryside. \$75 per person includes food, entertainment, live & silent auctions! We are currently looking for donations of gift cards, vacation homes, sporting event and theater tickets for our auction. Your donations are truly appreciated. Thank you for your support of St. Cletus School.

BULLETIN ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

Please note that all Canticle articles are to be emailed to canticle@stcletusparish.com as text with pictures attached separately. All articles are due 5p.m. Friday a full week (9 days) before Sunday’s publication.

CABARET



DUELING PIANOS IN THE PARISH CENTER

FEBRUARY 8, 2019

TICKETS:

**\$40 IN ADVANCE
\$45 AT THE DOOR**

**RSVP ONLINE:
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CASH/CHECK AT THE DOOR
CREDIT ONLINE**

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**ST. CLETUS PARISH CENTER
600 W 55TH ST. LA GRANGE, IL**



ANDREW BLENDERMANN



TONY KIDONAKIS



FRIDAY, FEB. 8

MUSIC BEGINS AT 8PM, DOORS OPEN AT 7:30PM





FAITH, HOPE, LOVE REMAIN, THESE THREE;
BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE

is love.

I CORINTHIANS 13:13

AN ONGOING MISSION

In his hometown synagogue, Jesus' neighbors are amazed by his words. Nevertheless, they remind each other, "Is this not Joseph's son?"

Surely the people know who he is. The carpenter's son. The young man who had learned in this very synagogue. The boy down the street.

Conflict arises as Jesus begins to define himself in a new way. When he compares himself to the ancient prophets Elijah and Elisha the tensions grow. The tensions multiply when Jesus begins to tell of a new mission for God's people: the good news of the scriptures is intended for all.

In his famous passage from the First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul reminds us of the eternal nature of love. Love does not come to an end. In today's readings, we are reminded that, like love, Jesus' mission cannot be contained. Jesus slips through the crowd of persecutors and moves on to new challenges. We are called to this same perseverance in the name of love.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).

Psalms — I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).

Second Reading — If I have all faith so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing (1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).

Gospel — No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown (Luke 4:21-30).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32;
Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14,
17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11;
Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8;
1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; Lk 5:1-11

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Boy Scouting Sunday
Tuesday: St. Agatha; Chinese New Year 4717
Wednesday: St. Paul Miki and Companions
Friday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita;
International Day of Prayer and Awareness
against Human Trafficking
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The song of the angels, "Holy, Holy, Holy," resounds from our lips at every Mass. There was a widespread belief in the first religions of the world that God stirred creation into being by a word, a song, a musical note. Music and a sense of God's presence have always been inseparable. In the liturgy, your voice is invited into this song as the priest names the reasons for our praise. "Heaven and earth are full of your glory," and we are not passive onlookers, but participants in this glory. Catholic prayer no longer assigns this angelic hymn to a choir, but gives it to you to sing. Even if your voice is thought to be suitable only for a well-insulated shower stall, you are called into this song.

We are born to sing—just listen to a baby testing the full range of newly-discovered vocal abilities. Soon we get shushed and hushed into quiet, and given lots of messages that our voices are unwanted, and that we need to raise our hands in order to be heard. All of that is overturned in liturgy, the place where God waits to hear us come alive in the song of all creation. In heaven, everyone's in the choir; why not start practicing now?

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PLANNING

If you are planning for a year, sow rice.

If you are planning for a decade, plant trees.

If you are planning for a lifetime, educate a person.

—Chinese Proverb

Community Bulletin Board

JOYFUL AGAIN

Widowed and feeling stuck? Come and find ways to move toward inner peace and new hope in life. Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry Program presents a Retreat/workshop for men & women March 9-10. (Incl. overnight) at the Mt. Assisi Center in Lemont and March 30 & 31 at the Holy Family Med. Ctr., Des Plaines. To register call: 708-354-7211, e-mail joyfulagain7211@gmail.com. Website: www.joyfulagain.org (incls.video)

COMBONI MISSION JOB OPENING

The Comboni Fathers of LaGrange Park have a job opening: The position is business office manager of the Comboni Mission center at 1615 e. 31st. St. In LaGrange Park. The position will be part time, with the possibility later of full time. The position will include fundraising and development, data management, and fiscal management. Bilingual is a plus, applicants must support and accept the faith based mission of the community. Inquiries and resumes can be directed to Fr. Chris Aleti at mamdriga67@gmail.com.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Hitzeman Funeral Home welcomes you and your family to join us for our Grief Support Gatherings which will occur the second Tuesday of each month. For more info please visit www.HitzemanFuneral.com/GriefSupport

Tuesday, February 12 at 6:30 P.M.

Hitzeman Funeral Home, 9445 West 31st St. Brookfield

Please R.S.V.P. by February 8, 2019 to 708-485-2000 or info@hitzemanfuneral.com.

LEGACY GUILD

Legacy Guild Fundraiser for local students who have lost a parent on Saturday, February 23 - The Legacy Guild, a local nonprofit that provides college scholarships for area students who have lost a parent, hosts its biggest fundraiser of the year on Sat., Feb. 23, at FitzGerald's in Berwyn. The Big Spring Event 2019 is a rockin' evening featuring a live band. Ticket price includes dinner, drinks and dancing along with roundtrip bus ride from La Grange. The Legacy Guild has provided almost \$700,000 in college scholarships since its inception in 2012. Current Legacy Guild Scholars receive a \$2,500 scholarship renewable for up to four years of college. Tickets and sponsorships can be purchased at www.TheLegacyGuild.com. Contact Ryan Williamson with any questions at 312.714.7665 or by email at ryan.williamson@lpl.com.

AMERICAN LEGION SPAGHETTI DINNER

Friday, February 8 from 4-8pm. Adults \$9, Children 5-10 \$4, Under 5 Free includes: spaghetti with meat balls or marinara sauce, salad, garlic bread, dessert, coffee, and cash bar. Robert E. Coulter Jr. American Legion Post 1941, 900 S LaGrange Rd. La Grange, IL.

ADRIAN DOMINICAN SISTERS

Spend a weekend with Adrian Dominican Sisters for "A Time to Come and See for Yourself"

March 1-3, 2019 • Adrian, Michigan

For women ages 25-35:

- Meet other women discerning God's call.
- Join the Adrian Dominican Sisters for Sunday Liturgy.
- Have time for prayer, reflection, silence, sharing, and fun.
- Learn about the life of a Sister and Dominican life.
- Tour the Motherhouse campus and engage in conversation with our Sisters.

NO CHARGE — you are our guests.

REGISTER ONLINE: <https://tinyurl.com/ADSDiscern>

LOCATION: Weber Retreat & Conference Center

1257 East Siena Heights Dr. Adrian, Michigan 49221

MORE INFORMATION: Sister Tarianne DeYonker, OP

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REFLECT RETREAT

Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Joseph & Mary Retreat House (formerly Cardinal Stritch Retreat House) in Mundelein, IL (northern suburbs) on Feb 22-24, 2019. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 for meals and a single room. Call (630) 222-8303, Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, or reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com.

LA GRANGE AREA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

FREE EVENT - "GUN VIOLENCE: The Impact on our Communities", Tuesday, February 12, 7-8:30 pm. Location: Lyons Township HS Performing Arts Center, 4900 Willow Springs Rd, Western Springs Il. Speakers Dr Cichon, Professor & Chairman Emergency Dept, Loyola Medical Center; La Grange Police Dept School Resource Officer, LTHS Leaders of S.A.V..E Sandy Hook Promise Club (Students Against Violence Everywhere).

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH

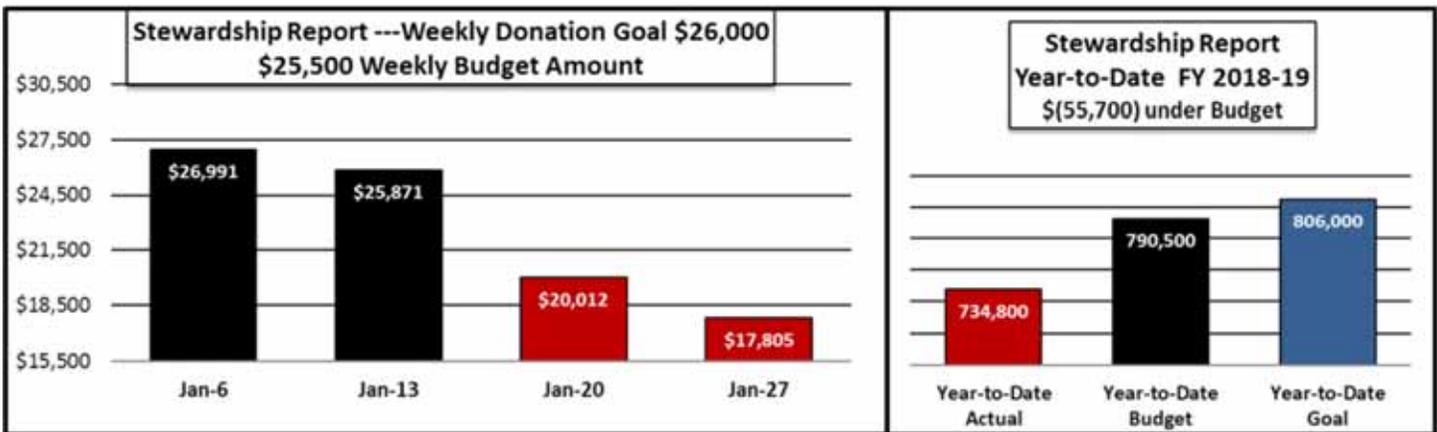
Is Your Congregation HELPFUL? How Being Healing Engaged, Loving People Can Transform Your Community. Rev. Kirsten Peachey will speak on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 7 pm at St. James Lutheran Church, 5129 Wolf Road, Western Springs.

Stress, conflict and difficult experiences throughout our lives affect our bodies, spirits and relationships. But love and nurturing social connections have just as big an impact on our well-being. This presentation will explore how positive, loving relationships protect us from the impact of difficult experiences and will offer some simple practices we can use in our congregations to promote healing and resilience.

Week at a Glance

DAY/DATE	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT
Sunday, February 3	1:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room	Mission Trip Meeting
Monday, February 4	4:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	School Music Rm Parish Center Mtg Room PC Gym	Junior Choir Rehearsal Cardinal College Speaker Men's Basketball
Tuesday, February 5	7:00pm 7:00pm	Rectory Church	RCIA Spanish Holy Hour
Wednesday, February 6	9:00am 8:00pm	Parish Center Mtg Room PC Gym	Mission Ladies Boys Church League Practice
Thursday, February 7	5:00pm 7:30pm 8:00pm	School Music Rm School Music Rm PC Gym	Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal Boys Church League Practice
Friday, February 8	8:00pm	PC Gym	Cabaret: Dueling Pianos in the Parish Center
Saturday, February 9	9:00am	Parish Center Mtg Room	ICN Resume Review
Sunday, February 10			

Stewardship Report



YEAR-END STATEMENT BY REQUEST ONLY

As tax time approaches, we ask everyone who would like a year-end statement of their Year 2018 financial offering to the parish to fill out the form below and return it or simply call the office @ (708) 352-6209 with your request. You may also email bkallal@stcletusparish.com and submit your request electronically. Rather than mail statements to everyone in the parish, it seems more prudent and conservative to only mail them to those who need them for tax returns. Of course, your statement is available anytime a need for it may arise. Thank you.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ Envelope # _____

St. Cletus Parish Information

CONTACT US

Parish Center.....(708) 352-6209
 Español(708) 215-5440
 School(708) 352-4820
 www.stcletusparish.com  stcletuschurch

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that all deliveries and inquiries should be made to the new parish center office. Food pantry will remain in the rectory.

Monday thru Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

MASSES

Saturday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)
 Weekdays..... Mon. thru Sat. 8:00 a.m.
 Evening before Holy Day 7:00 p.m.
 Holy Day..... 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions every Saturday..... 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday of most months at 11:00 a.m.
 Parents must be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation class. Please make arrangements by calling the Parish office. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

WEDDINGS

Dates and times are reserved for registered parishioners. Initial arrangements must be completed five months in advance of the wedding date. Contact Bobbie Kallal (708) 352-6209.

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITATION AND COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact the Ministry of Care Office (708) 215-5407

PARISH MISSION AND VISION STATEMENTS

Mission Statement: St. Cletus is a dynamic Catholic community dedicated to spreading the Good news of Jesus Christ through worship, education, and service.

Vision Statement: We welcome all. We encourage all parishioners to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ in their daily lives, by sharing their talents and faith with our parish and community.

STAFF

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Robert Clark, Pastor
Rev. Kenneth Baker, Associate Pastor
Rev. Lorenzo Gamboa, Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Stuart & Marlene Heyes, Deacon Couple

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Mary Zwolinski, Parish Accounting
Elizabeth Goellner-McLean, Bulletin Editor
Carol Scatena, Parish Assistant

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